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Response to Restriction Requirement

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 26, 2003.

REMARKS

The Office Action sets forth a restriction requirement under 35 USC § 121, Applicant was requested to elect one of two designated groups as noted below:

I.

Claims 1-14, drawn to a method for producing a nucleic

acid polymer, classified in class 435, subclass 91.4.

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Claims 15-20, drawn to a method for producing a

recombinant eukaryotic host cell, classified in class 435,

subclass 455.

In response to the Requirement for Restriction Election, Applicant elects with traverse Group I, Claims 1-14 drawn to a method for producing a nucleic acid polymer.